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YOU?**

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## How can we serve you?

Arts, culture, and library resources are at the heart of a thriving community, and we want to hear what's important to you. Lafayette's Library and Arts and Cultural Resources Departments are launching a strategic planning process to identify near and longer-term opportunities, priorities, and goals for their work.

Residents are asked to complete a survey to help identify important issues. Watch for a postcard in the mail and visit [lafayetteco.gov/ACLsurvey](https://lafayetteco.gov/ACLsurvey) to complete the survey.

## Participate in City's first Wildlife Plan

As urban growth and recreational pressures increase in and around Lafayette, the City's Open Space Division is beginning a process to develop a long-term plan

to guide the preservation of local wildlife and ecosystems. The community's values surrounding human-nature connections and insight into key concerns is crucial for an effective outcome.

Opportunities for residents to share input will begin in late November. For important dates and to learn more about the process, visit [lafayetteco.gov/WildlifePlan](https://lafayetteco.gov/WildlifePlan).



## Shop local on Nov. 26

Lafayette businesses are geared up to offer special promotions to the community on Nov. 26 for Shop Small Saturday. When you shop in Lafayette, your tax dollars stay in Lafayette to help pay for parks and open space, police and fire, streets, water, public art, library, recreation, and other important services. View

participating businesses at [lafayetteco.gov/ShopSmall](https://lafayetteco.gov/ShopSmall) and support your local retailers on Nov. 26 - and all year long!

**Shop-N-Drop on Nov. 26:** Parents - Shop Small while your kids have a blast at the Recreation Center! Kids ages 3-12 will enjoy supervised swimming, arts and crafts, and active play while parents do some holiday shopping. Registration information can be found at [lafayetteco.gov/ShopSmall](https://lafayetteco.gov/ShopSmall).



### THE GOOD LIFE



## Lafayette ranks 31 in the U.S. for a Best Place to Live

"Lafayette is a great place to live and if you ask people what makes Lafayette special, it's that warm and welcoming feeling. Our diverse community provides a sense of belonging and has a genuine character all its own," says Fritz Sprague, Lafayette City Administrator. "It's especially rewarding to know new data related to diversity, national heritage, and languages spoken at home were considered to select this year's recipients."



## Bring It! Lafayette

Did you know Coloradans use an estimated 4.6 million single-use plastic bags every day? Plastic bags are produced from non-renewable resources, are very difficult to recycle, and belong in your garbage cart unless they're taken to an approved retailer for recycling.

A single-use bag fee of ten cents per bag will be imposed by the state of Colorado on Jan. 1, 2023. You can avoid the fee by bringing your own reusable bags when you shop. Learn more at [lafayetteco.gov/BagFee](http://lafayetteco.gov/BagFee).



## Building Code update project Attend a community meeting on Nov. 16

The City is considering ways to strengthen locally-adopted building codes to support the community's climate and resilience goals through:

- Relying on renewable energy sources to generate all electricity by 2030
- Reducing communitywide greenhouse gas emissions by 80% (from a 2005 baseline year)
- Increasing residential home safety by requiring automatic indoor sprinkler systems

Given that buildings account for 68% of greenhouse gas emissions, Lafayette is also working with other regional cities to strengthen requirements to prepare new buildings for future solar installations, reducing reliance on natural gas by encouraging all-electric homes, meeting the growing demand for electric vehicle charging, and more. Learn about these efforts at the upcoming Nov. 16 community meeting and join the conversation at [lafayetteco.gov/BuildingCodeUpdate](http://lafayetteco.gov/BuildingCodeUpdate).

## Calendar of events

🕒 Denotes reoccurring events \* Registration required

### ■ Santa Cop Donation Drive 🕒

November — Lafayette Police Department

### ■ Spot the Elf in Old Town 🕒

Through Dec. 31 — [visitoldtownlafayette.com](http://visitoldtownlafayette.com)

### ■ Friends Book Sale 🕒

Dec. 3-11 — Lafayette Public Library

### ■ SPARK! Boulder Opera presents Romantic and bel canto arias

Nov. 23 — 11am-noon, Lafayette Public Library

### ■ Shop N Drop\*

Nov. 26 — 1-4pm, \$4 per child, Bob Burger Recreation Center

### ■ Shop Small Saturday

Nov. 26 — [lafayetteco.gov/ShopSmall](http://lafayetteco.gov/ShopSmall)

### ■ Holiday Ornaments\*

Dec. 3 — 1-3pm, The Collective Community Arts Center

### ■ Boulder Opera Storytime "Hansel and Gretel"

Dec. 3 — 2-3pm, Lafayette Public Library

### ■ Lafayette Birds!

Dec. 4 — 1-3pm Greenlee Wildlife Preserve

### ■ Estate Planning

Dec. 7 — 1-3pm, Lafayette Senior Center

### ■ Common Ground Athena Project Workshop\*

Dec. 7 — 6-9pm, The Collective Community Arts Center

### ■ Sounds of Nature -

### Family Nature Outing on Coal Creek

Dec. 10 — 1-2:30pm, Coal Creek Trailhead

### ■ Holiday Dinner and Concert

Dec. 16 — noon-2pm, Lafayette Senior Center

### ■ Flashlight Candy Cane Hunt

Dec. 16 — 6:30-8:30pm, free, Bob Burger Recreation Center

### ■ Menorah Lighting

Dec. 18 — Dusk, Festival Plaza

### ■ Babies and Bells Storytime

Dec. 20 — 1:30pm, Lafayette Public Library

### ■ Hanukkah Storytime

Dec. 20 — 6pm, Lafayette Public Library

### ■ Tune into Nature Tuesdays "The Wonders of Winter"

Dec. 20 — 6:30-7:30pm, Lafayette Public Library

### ■ Winter Solstice Storytime

Dec. 21 — 10:30am, Lafayette Public Library

### ■ Christmas Storytime with Santa

Dec. 22 — 10:30am, Lafayette Public Library

### ■ Noon Year's Eve Party

Dec. 30 — Lafayette Senior Center

Please check the City calendar for updates. For info about these and other events, visit [lafayetteco.gov/Events](http://lafayetteco.gov/Events).

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